

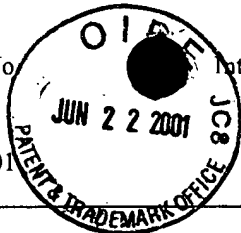
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 USC 371**

International Application No.: PCT/EP99/10377  
International Filing Date: December 23, 1999  
Priority Date Claimed: December 23, 1998  
Title of Invention: METHOD FOR PROCESSING DATA OBJECTS  
Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US: Karl-Heinz Sternemann

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- (X) This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.
- (X) This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 USC 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- (X) A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- (X) A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)) has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
- (X) Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)) have not been made and will not be made.
- (X) International Application as published.
- (X) A return prepaid postcard.
- (X) The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC FEE**

**\$860**

- (X) The fee for submission of the translation of the international application or any annexes to the IPER set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(f) will be paid upon submission of those items.
- (X) The fee for later submission of the signed oath or declaration set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(e) will be paid upon submission of the declaration.
- (X) Any excess claims fees will be paid at the time of submission of the declaration.
- (X) A check in the amount of \$860 to cover the above fees is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **only those additional fees** which may be required, now or in the future, **to avoid abandonment** of the application, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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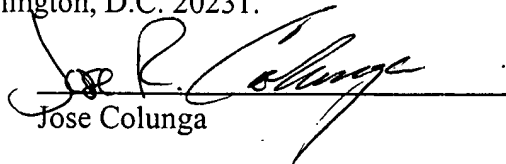
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